



UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,) Case No.: 08 CR 2034 IEG
Plaintiff,) ORDER
vs.)
SOLEDAD MARTINEZ JIMENEZ (1), aka)
Soledad Martinez Sandoval, ERNEST)
GUERRERO RIVERA (2),)
Defendants.)

ORDER

Upon request of material witness JOSE GUAGALUPE GONZAGA CEJA (hereafter "Material Witness"), and their counsel Wayne C. Mayer, and good cause appearing upon joint motion of the parties:

1. The MATERIAL WITNESS in the case of USA v SOLEDAD MARTNIEZ JIMENEZ and ERNEST GUERRERO RIVERA, case number 08 CR 2034 IEG shall be deposed on July 28 at 9:30 a.m. The deposition will take place in office of the United States Attorney located at 880 Front Street, Fifth Floor, San Diego California.

1 2. All parties, meaning the United States and the defendants, shall attend the material witness
2 deposition. The arresting agency shall bring the material witness (es) to the deposition. If, in
3 custody, the defendant shall be brought separately to the deposition and a marshal shall remain
4 present during the entire proceeding.

5 3. The United States Attorney's Office shall provide a videotape operator ("operator") and, if
6 necessary, arrange for a court-certified interpreter to be present for the Material Witness (es). The
7 cost of the interpreter for the material witnesses shall be borne by the United States Attorney's
8 office.

9 4. If the defendants need an interpreter other than the interpreter for the material witnesses (if
10 any), then defense counsel will arrange for a court-certified interpreter to be present. The cost of a
11 separate interpreter for the defendant(s) shall be paid by the Court.

12 5. The United States Attorney's Office shall arrange for a certified court reporter to be
13 present. The court reporter shall stenographically record the testimony and serve as a notary and
14 preside at the deposition in accordance with Rule 28(a), Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. The cost
15 of the court reporter shall be borne by the United States Attorney's Office.

16 6. The deposition shall be videotaped, meaning a magnetic tape that records sound as well as
17 visual images. At the conclusion of the deposition, on the record, the witness(es) or any party may
18 elect to have the witness(es) review the videotape record of the deposition to check for errors or
19 omissions and to note any changes. Any errors, omissions or changes, and the reasons for making
20 them, shall be stated in writing, signed by the witness (es), delivered to the notary in a sealed
21 envelope and filed in the same fashion as described in Paragraph 17 below, unless the parties agree
22 on the record to a different procedure.

23 7. The operator shall select and supply all equipment required to videotape the deposition and
24 shall determine all matters of staging and technique, such as number and placement of cameras and
25 microphones, lighting, camera angle, and background. The operator shall determine these matters
in a manner that accurately reproduces the appearance of the witness (es) and assures clear
reproduction of both the witness' testimony and the statements of counsel. The witness (es), or any

1 party to the action, may object on the record to the manner in which the operator handles any of
2 these matters. Any objections shall be considered by the Court in ruling on the admissibility of the
3 videotape record. All such objections shall be deemed waived unless made promptly after the
4 objector knows, or had reasonable grounds to know, of the basis for such objections.

5 8. The deposition shall be recorded in a fair, impartial, objective manner. The videotape
6 equipment shall be focused on the witness (es); however, the operator may when necessary or
7 appropriate, focus upon charts, photographs, exhibits or like material being shown to the
8 witness(es).

9 9. Before examination of the witness (es), the Assistant United States Attorney shall state on
10 the video record: his/her name; the date, time and place of the deposition; the name of the
11 witness(es); the identity of the parties and the names of all persons present in the deposition room.
12 The court reporter shall then swear the witness on the record. Prior to any counsel beginning an
13 examination of the witness (es), that counsel shall identify himself/herself and his/her respective
14 client.

15 10. Once the deposition begins, the operator shall not stop the videotape recorder until the
16 deposition concludes, except that, any party or the witness (es) may request a brief recess, which
17 request will be honored unless a party objects and specifies a good faith basis for the objection on
18 the record. Each time the tape is stopped or started, the operator shall state on the record the time
19 the recording stopped and the time it resumed. If the deposition requires the use of more than one
20 tape, the operator shall sequentially identify on the record the end and beginning of each tape.

21 11. All objections both as to form and substance shall be recorded as if the objection had
22 been overruled. The Court shall rule on the objections at the appropriate time. The party raising the
23 objection(s) shall prepare a transcript for the Court to consider. All objections shall be deemed
24 waived unless made during the deposition.

25 12. The Party offering the deposition into evidence at trial shall provide the Court with a
transcript of the portions so offered.

1 13. Copies of all exhibits utilized during the videotaped deposition shall be marked for
2 identification during the deposition and attached to the videotaped record.

3 14. At the conclusion of the deposition, any objection, including the basis, to the release the
4 material witness (es) from custody shall be stated on the record. If there is no objection, the
5 attorney for the material witness (es) shall immediately serve all parties with a "Stipulation and
6 Proposed Order for Release of the Material Witness (es)" and submit the Order to the Clerk of the
7 Court for the Judge's signature. Prior to release from custody the attorney for the Government shall
8 serve the material witness(es) with a subpoena for the trial date and a travel fund advance letter.

9 15. The operator shall provide a copy of the videotaped deposition to any party who requests
10 a copy at that party's expense. After preparing the requested copies, if any, the operator shall
11 deliver the original videotape to the notary along with a certificate signed by the operator attesting
12 that the videotape is an accurate and complete recording of the deposition. The notary shall file the
13 original tape and certification with the Clerk of the Court in a sealed envelope marked with the
14 caption of the case, the name of the witness(es) and the date of the deposition.

15 16. The notary shall file with the Clerk of the Court in a sealed envelope the original
16 videotape, along with any exhibits offered during the deposition. The sealed envelope shall be
17 marked with the caption of the case, the name of the witness (es), and the date of the deposition. To
18 that envelope, the notary shall attach the certificate of the operator. If all counsel stipulate on the
19 record, the Government may maintain the original videotape until production is ordered by the
20 Court or requested by any party.

21 17. Unless waived by the parties, the notary shall give notice to all parties of the filing of the
22 videotaped deposition with the Court pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 30(f)(3).

23 18. If any party objects on the record to the release of the material witness(es) from custody,
24 the objecting party must request in writing a hearing on the issue before the federal judge who is
25 assigned the case or to such other district judge or magistrate judge as they designate. Notice of the
request for Hearing must be served on all parties and filed with the Clerk of the Court within
twenty-four (24) hours after the completion of the deposition, with a courtesy copy to chambers.

1 The court shall set a briefing schedule, if appropriate, and a date and time for the objection to be
2 heard as soon as reasonably practicable. At the hearing, the objecting party must establish to the
3 Court's satisfaction an appropriate legal basis for the material witness (es) to remain in custody. If,
4 after the hearing, the Court orders the release of the material witness (es), the material witness (es)'
5 attorney shall immediately present the release order to the Court for signature and filing. Before
6 release of the material witness (es) from custody the Government shall serve the material witness
7 (es) with a subpoena for the trial date and a travel fund advance letter.

8 17. Upon request by either party, the videotape operator shall provide a copy of the
9 videotaped deposition to the requesting party at the requesting party's expense. After preparing the
10 requested copies, if any, the videotape operator shall turn the original videotape over to the notary
11 along with a certificate signed by the videotape operator attesting that the videotape is an accurate
12 and complete record of the recorded deposition.

13 18. The videographer shall file the original videotape, along with any exhibits offered during
14 the deposition, with the Court in a sealed envelope marked with the caption of the case, the name of
15 the witness and the date of the deposition. To that envelope, the notary shall attach the sworn
16 statement that the videotape is an accurate and complete record of the recorded deposition and a
17 certification that the officer duly swore the witness.

18 19. To the extent that the procedures set forth herein for videotaping vary from those set forth
19 in Rules 28 and 30 F.R.Civ.P., these variations are found to be good cause shown as allowed by
20 F.R. Civ. P. 29.

21 20. Unless waived by the parties, the notary must give prompt notice to all parties of the
22 filing of the video record of the deposition with the Court pursuant to Fed.R.Civ.P. 30(f)(3).

23 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

24 DATE: July 15, 2008

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The Honorable Leo S. Papas
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE COURT